Amendment To The Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

1.   (currently amended) A <u>computer implemented</u> method for providing asset physical placement analysis for an organization <u>for a plurality of assets using a computer server and a database connected to the plurality of assets using a communications network</u> for an organization comprising:

obtaining historical asset usage data <u>from the database using the computer server</u> over a plurality of periods <u>received from the</u> ~~for a~~ plurality of assets <u>using the communications network</u>;

obtaining asset physical placement data associated with the plurality of assets over the plurality of periods<u> using the computer server</u>;

determining suggested alternate asset physical placement data using the asset usage data and the asset physical placement data<u> using the computer server</u>; and

providing the suggested alternate asset physical placement data<u> using the computer server</u>.

2. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

determining suggested alternate asset data<u> using cost data</u>; and

providing the suggested alternate asset data.

3. (previously amended) The method of claim 2, further comprising:

determining suggested second physical placement data for the suggested alternate asset data; and

providing the suggested second physical placement data.

4. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein:

the assets include copy machines.

5. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein:

the assets usage data is categorized into peak and off-peak categories.

6. (previously amended) The method of claim 1, wherein:

the suggested alternate asset physical placement data is determined using a best fit algorithm.

7. (previously amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

obtaining organization department physical location data;

obtaining historical asset usage data over a plurality of periods for a plurality of assets, wherein the historical usage data is associated with the organization physical location data;

determining suggested alternate asset physical placement data using the asset usage data, the asset physical placement data and the organization department physical location data;

providing asset usage data organized by department physical location; and

providing the suggested alternate asset physical placement data.

8. (previously amended) The method of claim 7, wherein:

the suggested alternate asset physical placement data is determined using a best fit algorithm.

9. (previously amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

determining hierarchal usage data using the asset physical placement data organized in a hierarchy including room number data; and

providing the hierarchal usage data.

10. (previously amended) The method of claim 7, further comprising:

determining hierarchal usage data using the organization department physical location data organized in a hierarchy including room number data; and

providing the hierarchal usage data.

11. (currently amended) A computer implemented method for providing physical asset placement analysis for an organization for a plurality of assets using a computer server and a database connected to the plurality of assets using a communications network comprising:

obtaining historical asset usage data from the database using the computer server over a plurality of periods received from the for a plurality of assets using the communications network;

obtaining physical asset placement data specifying a plurality of physical locations each associated with the plurality of assets using the computer server;

determining peak usage for at least one of the physical locations using the historical asset usage data and the physical asset placement data_using the computer server; and

suggesting at least one replacement asset for the at least one physical location using the computer server.

12. (previously presented) The method of claim 11, further comprising:

obtaining department data for a plurality of departments of the organization associated with the physical asset placement data specifying a plurality of physical locations each associated with the plurality of assets;

determining peak usage for at least one of the departments using the historical asset usage data, the department data and the physical asset placement data; and

suggesting at least one replacement asset for the at least one department.

13. (previously presented) The method of claim 11, wherein:

the assets include copy machines.

14. (previously presented) The method of claim 11, wherein:

the assets usage data is categorized into peak and off-peak categories.

15. (previously presented) The method of claim 11, wherein:

the suggested alternate physical asset placement data is determined using a best fit algorithm.

16. (previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

updating the asset physical placement data using the suggested alternate asset physical placement data.

17. (currently amended) A <u>computer implemented</u> method for providing physical asset placement analysis for an organization <u>for a plurality of assets using a computer server and a database connected to the plurality of assets using a communications network</u> comprising:

obtaining historical asset usage data <u>from the database using the computer server</u> over a plurality of periods <u>received from the</u> ~~for a~~ plurality of assets <u>using the communications network</u>;

obtaining physical asset placement data specifying a plurality of physical locations each associated with the plurality of assets<u> using the computer server</u>;

obtaining alternate asset data including replacement asset data associated with each of the plurality of assets<u> using the computer server</u>;

suggesting at least one replacement asset for at least one of the plurality of assets using the historical asset usage data, the physical asset placement data and the alternate asset data<u> using the computer server</u>.

18. (previously presented) The method of claim 17, wherein:

the assets include copy machines.

19. (previously presented) The method of claim 17, wherein:

the physical asset placement data comprises hierarchal organization data.

20. (previously presented) The method of claim 11, wherein:

the suggested alternate physical asset placement data is determined using a best fit algorithm.